

# MAN ADMITS SLAYING PAIR

*Mother-in-law Said to Have  
Dared Him to Fire as He  
Tried to See Children*

Muttering from a cot in the prison ward of the General Hospital where surgeons say he is in a dying condition, Tony Speras, 32 years of age, yesterday admitted shooting and killing his divorced wife, Mrs. Imogene Speras, 25-year-old mother of the couple's two children, and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Astrid Cale, 48-year-old chiropractor, New Year's Eve, according to deputy sheriffs.

The shooting occurred at the Cale home, 3427 Michigan avenue, Belvedere.

## HE ENTERS KITCHEN

"When I entered the kitchen of my mother-in-law's home," Deputy Sheriffs Hutchison and Cloud reported the man as saying, "I met my mother-in-law. She told me to get out and I told her I wouldn't go until I saw my children.

"Then I told her I'd shoot her and she said I didn't dare—so I did. My wife entered the room then and I shot her. Then I shot myself. I bought the gun a few weeks ago. Before I entered the house I cut the telephone wires."

The officers reported that Speras, who has bullet wounds in the head, abdomen and left arm, admitted drinking heavily before entering the house.

## RECENTLY DIVORCED

Their report shows that the couple were married four years ago and recently divorced, Speras having been ordered to pay Mrs. Speras \$7 weekly for support of the children, George, 2 years of age, and Florence, 4 months of age. During the shooting the children, asleep in another part of the house, did not awaken.

The bodies were discovered by Mrs. Cale's husband, Charles A. Cale, also a chiropractor, who rushed home from his offices at 329 Hill street when no one at the Speras home answered a phone call.